Foreign Universities/Institutes Showing Interest in Sanskrit

976. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of Universities/Institutes in foreign countries where scholars/students are taking interest in the Studies of Sanskrit Language and literature; and

(b) whether these Universities/Institutes seek any help from India; if so, in what way and what has been India's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) The Ministry does not have this information.

(b) If help is sought, individual cases of requests for help will be considered on merits.

Electrification of Jolarpet Erode Section

977. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) how much funds have been allotted for electrification of Jolarpet Erode Section of Southern Railway during the current year;

(b) how much funds have been spent so far; and

(c) by when the work is expected to be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Rs. 5.00 Crores.

(b) Rs. 2.78 Crores upto 31-3-1988.

(c) 1991-92.

Unpotable Drinking Water Supplied at Railway Stations

978. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's atention has been drawn to the supply of unpotable drinking water at various Railway Stations in the country;

(b) whether any complaints in this regard have been received; and

(c) what steps Government have taken for the supply of pure drinking water at the railway stations?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Some complaints have been received in this regard.

(c) Sample testing of drinking water supplied at Railway Stations is carried out periodically for residual chlorine and harmful bacteria.

Eye Injury Treatment under the Blindness Eradication Programme

979. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Society for prevention of Blindness have chalked out any programme to launch a battle against eye injuries this year in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and the funds allocated for this purpose for each State?